

WEATHER FORECAST

ARIZONA: Tuesday and Wednesday unsettled, probably rain west and south-central and rain or snow northeast portion; not much change in temperature.

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TAX PROBLEMS DISCUSSED AT STATE MEETING

County Assessors and Members of Tax Commission Take Up Assessment Questions at Conference

With representatives from every county in the state present with the exception of Apache, tax problems were discussed yesterday at a conference of the state tax commission and county assessors. The day was given over to a preliminary discussion of the 1922 assessment and it will require at least another half day's time in which to look into general conditions in the different industries before action is taken, according to Charles R. Howe, chairman of the tax commission, who is presiding over the conference.

Mr. Howe said yesterday that action on all classes of property will be taken at the same time, which will be only after a general discussion of the abstract of assessment by each county present.

The day's conference revealed no marked improvement over conditions of a year ago, although the outlook is promising with the reported resumption of mining after the first of the year.

The 1922 conference was notable for appeals from the different industries for reduction of taxes. At that time the commission announced its policy by refusing to shift the burden from one industry to the other, coming out frankly for an equitable distribution of the taxes. It is understood that same plan will be voiced by the commission today when the definite program of levying assessments is determined.

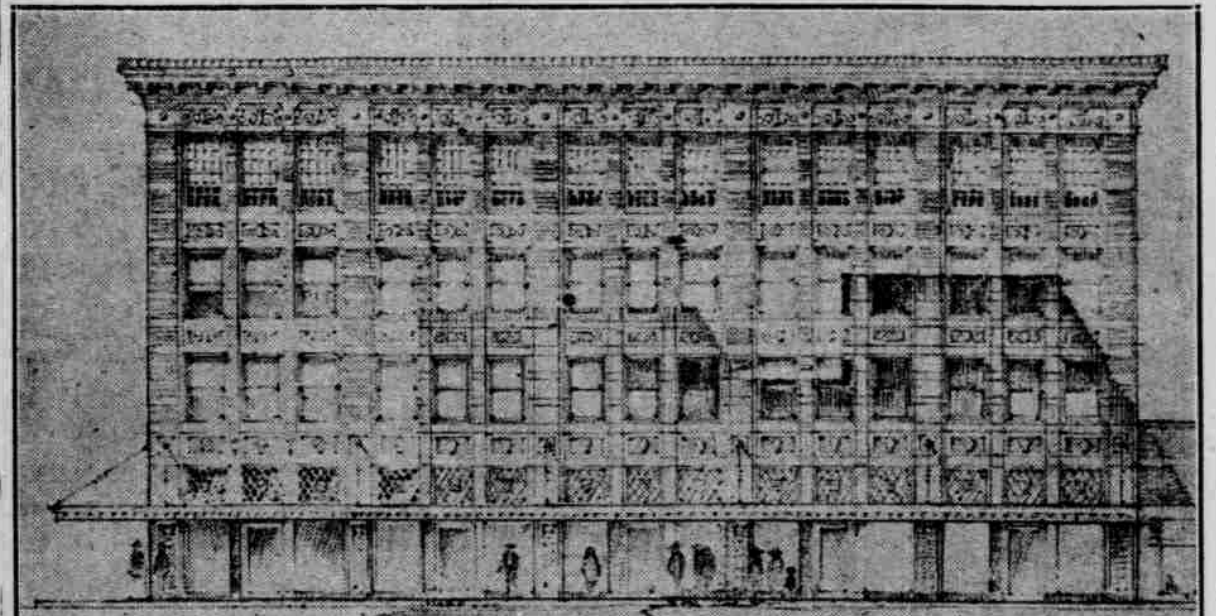
Bank Assessments a Topic
One of the interesting discussions at the opening session had to do with bank assessments where there had been bank failures. It was shown that there was only a slight loss to the county and state in taxes in view of the substitution of assessing the physical property of the bank instead of its capital stock surplus and undivided profits. It also was shown that in many cases where banks had reopened there was an increase in capital stock which helped maintain a balance in the counties where other banks failed to resume business. This was true particularly in Maricopa county.

Stock and merchandise assessments will show a loss in practically every county, especially in the mining towns. George Henshaw of Cochise county reported reduction of stocks by sales being conducted in Bisbee and Douglas, while loss in population due to a shut down of the mines in Gila and Greenlee county have resulted in numerous "at cost sales" which have depleted stocks. In this county, Harry Peirce, assessor, said that an inventory of stocks will show less than a year ago.

New Auto Law Discussed
One of the most important items to claim the attention of the tax men had to do with automobiles. Under the act passed by the last legislature automobile licenses will be distributed by the assessors rather than through the office of the secretary of state, to whom the assessors will make monthly reports and transmit the license fees. Ernest R. Hall, secretary of state, appeared before the assessors answering the many questions put to him relative to handling the automobile business. Mr. Hall furnished each assessor with a copy of the automobile laws in the state numbering 25,656 giving the license number and the make of car. Used car valuations will be based on the national used car market list with slight reductions in all probability, although this matter will come up for final discussion today, as will the matter of assessing the used car dealer who has no place of business. The "curb stone dealer" is one of the big problems difficult for the assessors to solve in that it is impossible to base his assessment on the same plan as the bona fide dealer, which is one-twelfth of the yearly sales.

After the conference the State County Assessors association will

Erection of \$300,000 Office Building At Second Avenue and Monroe Street Is Planned to Start Within a Few Weeks



To meet an ever increasing demand for modern office facilities in Phoenix Dr. W. C. Ellis will within a few weeks begin construction of a \$300,000 structure at the southwest corner of Second avenue and Monroe street. Original plans are for a four-story and basement building, but provision is being made for the addition of a fifth story if advance reservations warrant it. The building will be almost square, giving the offices a convenient arrangement around a double elevator service in the center of the building. The main entrance will be on Second avenue. The west front of the building will be 100 feet long, while the Monroe street front will measure 88 feet.

Terra cotta will be used in the exterior construction for the first floor, and the remaining floors will be finished with terra cotta and brick, the combination giving an attractive appearance to the edifice. The entrance, lobbies and hallways will all be finished in tile and marble. Concrete will be used in constructing the marquee which will run the entire length of the building. This material is expected to effectively shade the story windows and entrance of the first floor from the sun's rays.

In the basement will be located a commodious cafeteria with a seating capacity of 200, a lounge room and large club room for banquets and entertainments and a sunken garden which can be viewed either from the cafeteria or club room.

The first floor will be entirely devoted to stores, provision being made for three on the Monroe street side and four others on the Second avenue side. A wide hallway will lead to a lobby in the center of the first floor where the elevators will be located.

Everything above the first floor will be devoted to offices. Each floor will have four single offices and 19 office suites. These offices will be let to individuals and firms in all lines of business. A compressed air system will be installed for the convenience of dental offices. Steam heat will be used throughout. To insure plenty of light in each office all the hallway partitions and those between rooms in each suite will be of matted glass which obscures vision while admitting light. Every exterior window, large or small, will be plate glass.

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Arizonaans on their way to the White House to confer with the President relative to matters affecting this state. Left to right—United States Senator Henry F. Ashurst, Governor Thomas E. Campbell, Representative Carl Hayden and Dwight B. Heard.

MOTORCYCLE RIDER HURT IN ACCIDENT "DOING VERY WELL"

Theodore Tribolet, 12, an employee of the Arizona Packing company, who was critically injured Sunday evening when his motorcycle collided head-on with a truck on the Tempe road, is getting along very well, according to a report last night from St. Joseph's hospital, where he was taken immediately after the accident. Considering the serious nature of his injuries, the report stated, "young Tribolet is doing very nicely and will recover unless complications set in. Although the identity of the driver of the truck is known to officers, he has not been found yet. Authorities refused to divulge his name, but stated he was a Mexican. Deputy Sheriff A. J. DeWitt and Gilbert Blanco, who have been working on the case, reported yesterday they had found a young Mexican who was riding with the driver of the truck, but also refused to give his name.

According to statements made to officers by the young Mexican, who was severely injured in the collision, the truck, without lights, was standing at the right side of the road and the driver was engaged in making some repairs to a tire when the motorcycle crashed into it. The driver of the truck, the young Mexican told the officers, disappeared at once and a passenger motor brought him to his home in Phoenix. The Mexican was not placed under arrest.

According to statements made by Tribolet following the accident, the truck was traveling about 30 miles an hour without lights and turned from one side of the road to the other, making it impossible to avoid the collision. Young Tribolet was on his way home about 7 o'clock in the evening from a passenger plant when the accident occurred.

The truck was being operated without license plates being found later in the car. The license, officers found, had been issued to the missing driver of the truck, but was for a different engine number than that of the truck. The search for the driver will be continued.

Little Progress On Irish Treaty At Dail Meeting

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
DUBLIN, Dec. 19.—When the Dail Eireann adjourned tonight after two lengthy public sessions devoted to debate, nothing tangible had developed to indicate how members would vote on ratifying the treaty setting up the Irish Free State.

Deputy Egan, Mrs. Sheehy Skeffington, Tom Johnson, secretary of the Irish Liberal movement, and Col. Maurice Moore, when interviewed, declared it was impossible to make any estimate of the relative strength of those favoring and those opposing the treaty, or to hazard a guess as to which side would eventually gain a majority.

Oil Well Shooter Blown To Pieces

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 19.—Charles Kirkwood, an oil well shooter, was blown to pieces, two other persons were seriously injured and two houses damaged by an explosion of nitroglycerin today. The explosive was discharged when Kirkwood's automobile dropped into a deep rut on a road near here.

Illinois Constable Is Arrested On Bank Burglary Charge

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
HILLSBORO, Ill., Dec. 19.—Constable R. F. Battison of Greenville was in jail here today following the issuance of a warrant yesterday charging him with burglary in connection with the \$35,000 robbery of the Bank of Panama at Panama last week.

FORMER ACTRESS DIES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Ida Gilman, 67, one of the best known actresses on the American stage for nearly a half century, died yesterday at the Edwin Forest Home for Actors at Holmebury.

GIVE PROGRAM AT ST. LUKE'S HOME

Well-known local favorites contributed to the holiday pleasure of the guests at St. Luke's home last evening when they presented a program of exceptional worth. Helen Boyle Haworth was the feature of the entertainment provided by the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion. She was assisted by Katherine Wisner McCluskey and others, who delighted the audience. The program follows:

- Voice—My Love Is a Muleteer...Di Nogeno
- Lullaby...Kreiser
- An Old Romance...D'Hardelet
- Helen Boyle Haworth
- Dance, The Golden Moth—Frances Wiggins (pupil of Yua Sontegard King)
- Saxophone—Selections by Saxophone Quartette
- Voice—Wind Song...Rogers
- Oh, Didn't It Rain...Burleigh
- My Lullaby...Thayer
- Helen Boyle Haworth
- Reading, Spreading the News...Katherine Wisner McCluskey
- Dance, The Gypsy Beggar—Alma Lowry (pupil of Yua Sontegard King)
- Voice—The Big Brown Bear...Mang Zucca
- Playmates...Tuckfield
- Birthday Song...MacFadyen
- Helen Boyle Haworth
- Marta Work, Accompanist

Director Declares Southwestern Park Need Better Roads

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 19.—Stephen T. Mather, director of national parks, in an address before park officials, railroad passenger agents and others here today, emphasized the need of more hotels and better roads to the parks.

He said that he would prophesy that within a short time Kaibab national forests in Utah and Arizona would become famous as a resort.

Gov. Charles R. Mabey welcomed the delegates to the meeting, which was called by Mr. Mather with a view to discussing plans for the accommodation of visitors at the national parks next year.

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MESA TRIBUNE GETS COUNTY'S PRINTING

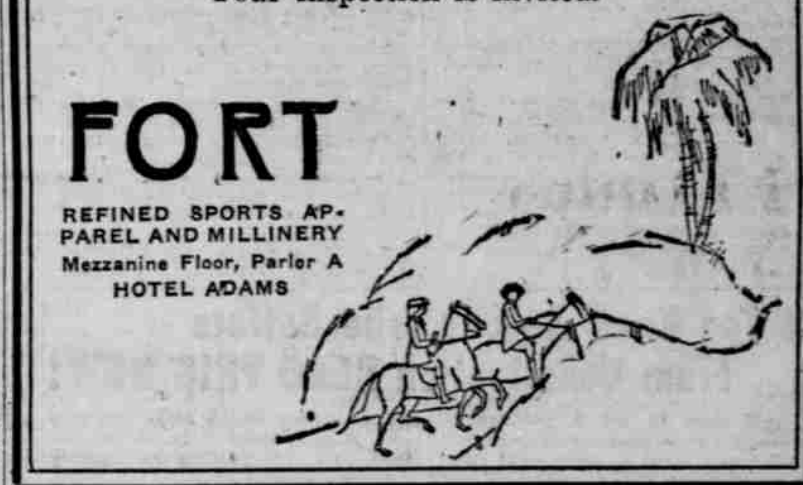
Following the opening of bids yesterday by the board of supervisors for the publishing of county advertisements and minutes of the board of supervisors, the contract for the year 1922 was awarded to the Mesa Tribune. Its bid was 20 cents an inch for all publications except tabulations, which are to be 40 cents an inch. The printing of county forms and books was divided between the C. G. Morgan Printing company and the Manufacturing Stationers.

OPENING WEDNESDAY



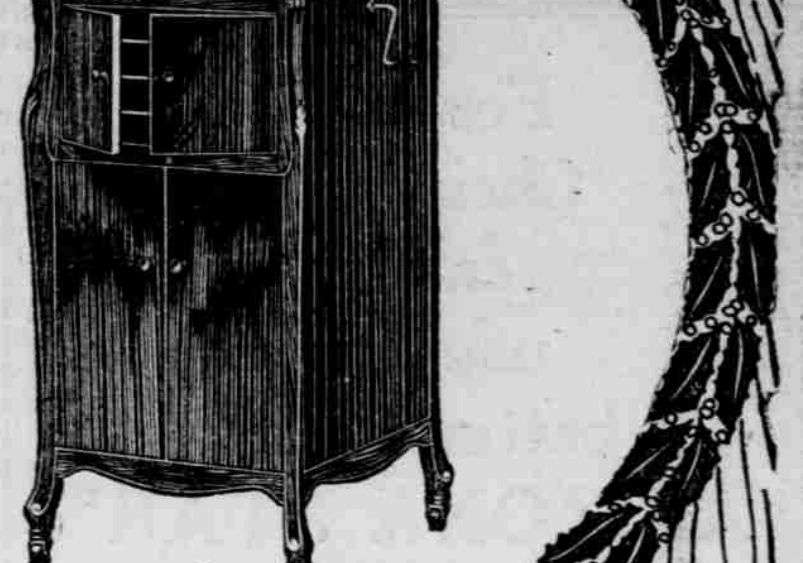
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LETTUCE CROP NOW BEING SHIPPED TO EASTERN MARKETS

The lettuce growing industry in the Salt River valley has proved to be one of prime importance. There are 2,000 acres in lettuce, most of which is in the Glendale district. There are three principal distributing agencies handling the lettuce on consignment to eastern markets, the shipment being to points from Kansas City to New York.

While the two other distributors will each probably handle as much